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In re patent application of:

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For: **Process for the Production of
L-Amino Acids Using Strains of the
Enterobacteriaceae Family**



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Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-captioned application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

An Amendment to the Title may be found on page 2 of the present document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of the present document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of the present document.

Amendment to the Title

Please amend the title that appears at the top of page 1 of the application as follows:

~~Process for the Production of L-Amino Acids Using
Strains of the Enterobacteriaceae Family~~

Enterobacteriaceae Strains Over-Expressing the yfiD Gene
for the Fermentative Production of L-Amino Acids